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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Applicant: Ann Burchell and Robert Hume Examiner: Unassigned
Serial No. 09/972,105 Group Art Unit: 1641
Filed: October 4, 2001 Docket No. 350013-76
Title: PRENATAL DIAGNOSTIC METHODS

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8

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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING
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Sir:

This communication is in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application Under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) dated November 1, 2001 for the above-identified patent application.

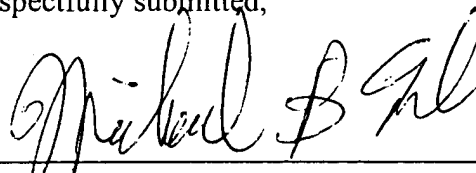
In response, Applicants enclose herewith the original Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by the inventors for filing in the above-identified patent application.

Applicants respectfully submit that the Application is now complete, and request that the Application proceed to examination.

Applicants also hereby submit the Government fee in the amount of \$130 to cover the cost of responding to the Notice of Missing Parts of Application.

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Respectfully submitted,



Dated: December 14, 2001

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Attachments:

- Government fee of \$130.00 (our Check No. 024359)
- This paper in duplicate
- Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application
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